

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTIES OF ARANSAS §
SAN PATRICIO AND NUECES §
CITY OF ARANSAS PASS §

On this the 21st day of November, 2011 the City Council of the City of Aransas Pass convened in a Regular Meeting being open to the Public at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject hereof having been posted and prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code with the following attendance to wit constituting a quorum.

PRESENT:	Tommy Knight	Mayor
	Phillip Hyatt	Mayor Pro Tempore
	James A. Mills	Council Member
	Ross McElwee	Council Member
	Vickie Abrego	Council Member

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT:	Allen Lawrence	City Attorney
	Reggie Winters	City Manager
	Darrell Jones	Police Chief
	Dawn Alvarado	Administrative Assistant

ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL ABSENT:	Yvonne Stonebraker	City Secretary
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STAFF PRESENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Stacy Durham, Ralph & Lu Arcemont, Manuel Buentello, Scott Simmons, Jim & Alpha Covington, Don & Jeanie Brummett, Angus & Christi Mathews, Erik Aguirre, Phil & Nell Reynolds, Mike Dallas, Annette Schonhoeft/VenuWorks, Paul and Nancy Summers, Ernie & Olivia Torres, Judy Ruhmann, Sherry Shaver, Patty Gilden, Rosemary Upton, Ed & Ellie Block, Brenda McElwee, Mike & Jan Moore, Katie Roberts-Verhelst, Clive & Sheila Denney, Div Jiva, Sam Bhakta, Nick Patel, Ann Robbins, Rosemary Vega, Clarence Price, Raymond & Jenny Wright, Capt. Tom & Linda Doran, Bob & DeeDee Weber, Trey & Kathy Brown, Billy St. Clair, Terry Stansberry, Juanita Davidson, Randy & Jeanne Hunter, Harry Bhakta, George Bhakta, Colette Walls and Patsy Lawrence.

There may have been others present who did not sign in.

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

Mayor Knight called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. on November 21, 2011.
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG.**

Council member Abrego gave the invocation. Mayor Knight led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.
- 3. CONSIDER AND ACT ON MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 7 AND NOVEMBER 14, 2011.**

Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt made a motion to approve minutes of November 7 and November 14, 2011. Council Member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- 4. REVIEW AND DISCUSS A PRESENTATION PRESENTED BY MS. STACY DURHAM, CPA CONCERNING THE ARANSAS PASS CIVIC CENTER.**

Stacy Durham, CPA presented a powerpoint presentation concerning the Aransas Pass Civic Center accounts payable practices, the Aransas Pass Municipal Development Districts money situation and the Civic Center’s activities filling up the City of Aransas Pass’ hotels/motels.
- 5. PRESENTATION BY MR. MANUEL BUENTELLO, MR. CECIL ROBLES AND MR. BILLY ST. CLAIR SUPPORTING THE DECISION OF THE MEMORIAL COMMISSION TO TURN OFF**

THE MEMORIAL TOWER FLOOD LIGHTS DURING THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS AND THE MEMORIAL COMMISSION HAVING COMPLETE CONTROL OF THE UPKEEP OF THE MEMORIAL TOWER AND GROUNDS.

Mr. Manuel Buentello stated that if the Seaman's Memorial Tower flood lights remained on, the lights would drown out the Christmas lights. Mr. Buentello stated he would like the flood lights turned off from dark time to midnight, then the lights could be turned back on.

Former Mayor, Mr. Billy St. Clair, expressed his concerns about the Aransas Pass Memorial Commission giving another organization complete control of the upkeep of the Memorial Tower grounds. He stated another organization may perform the upkeep of the grounds but the upkeep wouldn't last very long.

6. CONSIDER AND ACT ON SEAMAN'S MEMORIAL TOWER LIGHTING REQUESTED BY MR. PAUL SUMMERS.

Mr. Paul Summers, Keep Aransas Pass Beautiful, stated turning off the Seaman's Memorial Tower lights would bring a dishonor to the people who are memorialized on the most prominent landmark in the City of Aransas Pass.

Council Member McElwee made a motion to keep the flood lights on at the Seaman's Memorial Tower 365 days a year at night. The motion died for lack of a second.

7. CONSIDER AND ACT ON AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH KEEP ARANSAS PASS BEAUTIFUL CONCERNING THE UPKEEP OF THE SEAMAN'S MEMORIAL TOWER GROUNDS.

Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt made a motion to approve entering into an Interlocal Agreement with Keep Aransas Pass Beautiful for the upkeep of the Seaman's Memorial Tower grounds. Council Member Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried with Mayor Knight voting no.

8. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING HOTEL/MOTEL FUNDS FOR SIMROD OUTDOORS, LLC FOR THE CABELA'S FISHING TOURNAMENT.

Council Member McElwee made a motion to approve Hotel/Motel funds for SimRod Outdoors, LLC for the Cabela's fishing tournament in the amount of \$3,780.00. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried with Council Member Mills abstaining.

9. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING THE USE OF THE SHRIMPOREE GROUNDS BY THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE "ARANSAS PASS SPRING BREAK SPLASH CONCERT" ON MARCH 10, 2012.

Council Member Mills made a motion to approve the use of the Shrimporee grounds by the Chamber of Commerce for the "Aransas Pass Spring Break Splash Concert" on March 10, 2012. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDER AND ACT ON RESOLUTION NO. 2011-666 – BALLOT FOR PLACE 6, BOARD OF DIRECTORS NUECES COUNTY APPRAISEL DISTRICT REGULAR TERM 2012-2013.

Council Member Mills made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2011-666 – Ballot for Place 6, Board of Directors Nueces County Appraisal District regular term 2012-2013 naming Richard Pittman. Council Member McElwee seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDER AND ACT ON AUTHORIZING TAX RESALE PROPERTIES:

- a) LOT 2, BLOCK 734, CITY OF ARANSAS PASS, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN VOLUME 182, PAGE 624, DEED RECORDS OF SAN PATRICIO COUNTY – SUIT NO. S-99-1189- VACANT PROPERTY LOCATED AT SAUNDERS AND DEBERRY.
- b) LOTS 23 & 24, BLOCK 2, FELKET ADDITION, ACCORDING TO MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN SLIDE 909, PLAT RECORDS OF SAN PATRICIO COUNTY – SUIT NO. S-96-1076-TX – VACANT PROPERTY LOCATED AT LAMONT AND SAUNDERS.
- c) LOT 3, BLOCK 474, ORIGINAL TOWNSITE, CITY OF ARANSAS PASS, ARANSAS COUNTY, TEXAS, AS DESCRIBED IN CLERKS FILE #233517, DEED RECORDS OF ARANSAS COUNTY, TEXAS – SUIT NO. A-05-3062-TX-C – PROPERTY LOCATED AT 845 N RIFE STREET.

Council Member Mills made a motion to approve authorizing all three tax resale properties which are **a)** Lot 2, Block 734, City of Aransas Pass, being more particularly described in Volume 182, Page 624, Deed Records of San Patricio County – Suit No. S-99-1189- vacant property located at Saunders and DeBerry, **b)** Lots 23 & 24, Block 2, Felket Addition, according to map or plat thereof recorded in Slide 909, Plat Records of San Patricio County – Suit No. S-96-1076-tx – vacant property located at Lamont and Saunders **c)** Lot 3, Block 474, Original Townsite, City of Aransas Pass, Aransas County, Texas, as described in Clerks File #233517, Deed Records of Aransas County, Texas – Suit No. A-05-3062-TX-C – property located at 845 N Rife Street. Council Member McElwee seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDER AND ACT ON SCHEDULING A WORKSHOP/SPECIAL MEETING TO DISCUSS THE CIVIC CENTER MANAGEMENT.

Council Member McElwee made a motion to approve Monday, November 28, 2011 to hold a special meeting for the Civic Center Management Agreement in Executive Session under Chapter 551 of Texas Government Code. Council Member Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried with Council Member Abrego voting no.

13. CITIZENS COMMENTS.

There were none.

14. RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND RETIRE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551 OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.

Mayor night recessed the Regular Meeting at 8:45 P.M.

A. SECTION 551.072 -- DELIBERATIONS REGARDING REAL PROPERTY – CONN BROWN HARBOR (BOBBY PASH)

B. SECTION 551.074 – DELIBERATION REGARDING PERSONNEL MATTERS – POLICE CHIEF DARRELL JONES

15. RECONVENE IN REGULAR MEETING AND CONSIDER AND ACT ON FINDINGS OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Mayor Knight reconvened the Regular Meeting at 9:00 P.M.

A. SECTION 551.072 -- DELIBERATIONS REGARDING REAL PROPERTY – CONN BROWN HARBOR (BOBBY PASH)

No action taken.

B. SECTION 551.074 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING PERSONNEL MATTERS – POLICE CHIEF DARRELL JONES

Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt made a motion to approve Police Chief Darrell Jones’ Retirement Agreement with healthcare insurance provided until 65 years of age. Council Member Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried with Council Member McElwee voting no.

16. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.

Council Member Mills made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Knight adjourned the meeting at 9:01 P.M.

Tommy Knight, Mayor

ATTEST:

Yvonne Stonebraker, City Secretary